

SENATE BILL 33
By Leatherwood

AN ACT to designate a certain bridge on State Route 1 in Shelby County as the "Elizabeth Yancey Griffin Memorial Bridge".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary citizens who during their lifetimes contributed significantly to the overall prosperity and well being of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Yancey Griffin was a woman of high morals and exemplary character who taught elementary school for over 30 years at Brunswick, Bolton, Barret's Chapel and Moscow; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Griffin evinced her indomitable faith as a member of Chambers Chapel United Methodist Church in Lakeland, where she was the pianist for 55 years; and

WHEREAS, she served with probity as director of the Shelby County Farm Bureau for 20 years and was past chairperson of the Shelby County Farm Bureau Women. As a result of her estimable service, Mrs. Griffin earned the Leonard J. Kerr Award for outstanding leadership in agriculture; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Mrs. Griffin received the "Living Award" from Methodist Hospitals of Memphis in recognition of her 20 years of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, she was a woman respected for both her intellect and her strong moral values; and

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth Yancey Griffin's motto in life was: "Your talents are your gift back to God for the gift of life He gave you.", a golden precept to which she adhered throughout her remarkable life; and

WHEREAS, she exemplified by her life and her work the finest example of a civic-minded attitude; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Griffin was married for 40 years to William L. Griffin, and they were the parents of two daughters, Sue Griffin Morrisson and Betty Griffin Axton; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Griffin went to her reward on October 30, 1995 as the result of an automobile accident at the construction site of the Paul Barret Parkway Bridge, which is located on land previously owned by the Griffin family; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Griffin was truly an inspirational leader among her neighbors, family and friends, as she distinguished herself by means of her meritorious public service and unflagging commitment to others; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the new bridge on State Route 1 in Arlington, otherwise known as the Paul Barret Parkway, is hereby designated as the "Elizabeth Yancey Griffin Memorial Bridge" to honor the memory of this exemplary lady who most assuredly was a worthy representative of the true spirit of Tennessee.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such bridge as the "Elizabeth Yancey Griffin Memorial Bridge".

SECTION 3. The erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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